



HERE COMES...

DAREDEVIL



MARVEL
COMICS
GROUP

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IND. JULY

THE MAN WITHOUT FEAR!



DAREDEVIL, THE MAN WITHOUT FEAR!™

NOBODY LAUGHS *at* *The* JESTER!

THE NEWEST, THE MOST
CATAclysmic CREATION OF
SMILIN' GENIAL
STAN LEE *and* GENE COLAN

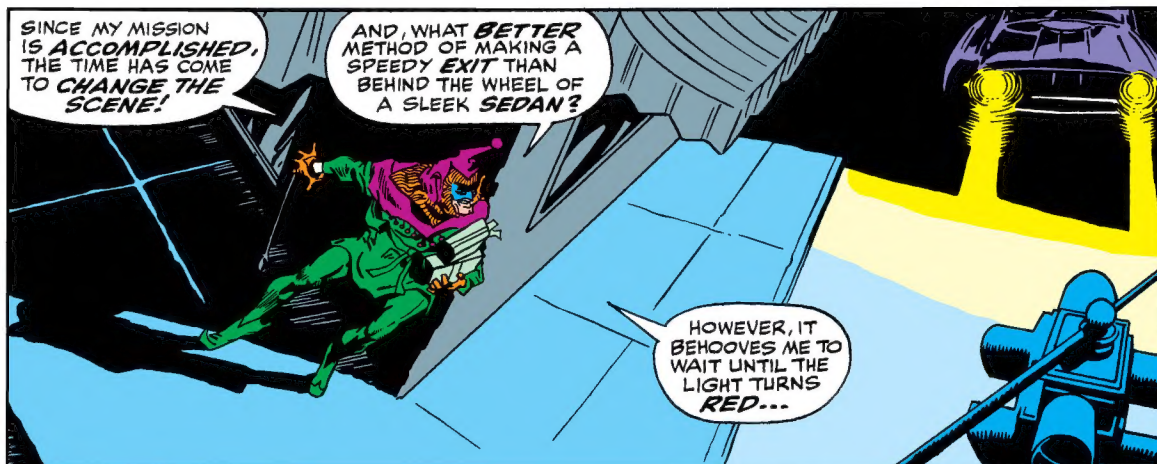
**EMBELLISHED
DAN
ADKINS**

**LETTERED BY:
SAM
ROSEN**

NOT
MANY MEN
CAN LOOT AN
UNDERGROUND BANK
VAULT, SINGLE-HANDED
...USING ONLY SOME
SMALL SLEEP
PELLETS AND A
HANDFUL OF
INNOCENT-
LOOKING
TOYS!

...BUT THEN,
NOT MANY MEN CAN
BE...THE **JESTER!**

AND NOW,
LET THE
WONDERMENT
UNFOLD...!



SINCE MY MISSION IS **ACCOMPLISHED**, THE TIME HAS COME TO **CHANGE THE SCENE!**

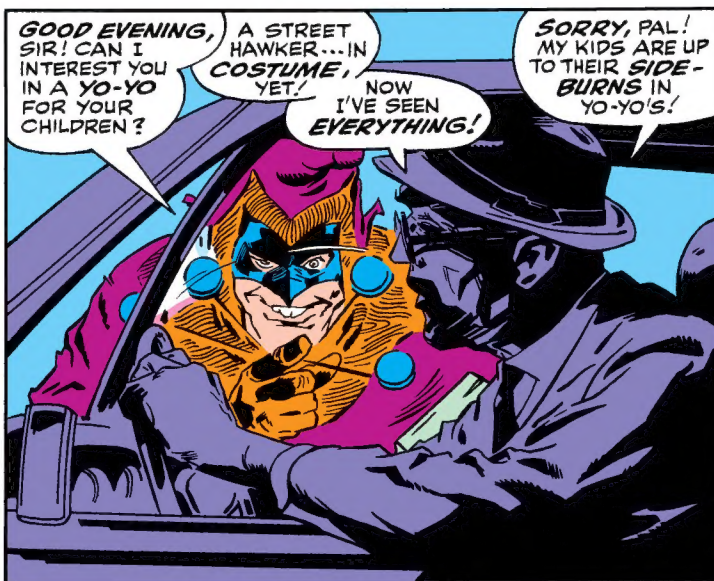
AND, WHAT **BETTER** METHOD OF MAKING A **SPEEDY EXIT** THAN BEHIND THE WHEEL OF A SLEEK **SEDAN**?

HOWEVER, IT BEHOOVES ME TO WAIT UNTIL THE LIGHT TURNS **RED...**



FOR, CROSSING **AGAINST** THE LIGHT IS A **MISDEMEANOR...**

AND FAR BE IT FROM **ME** TO **SCOFF** AT SUCH A **LAW!**

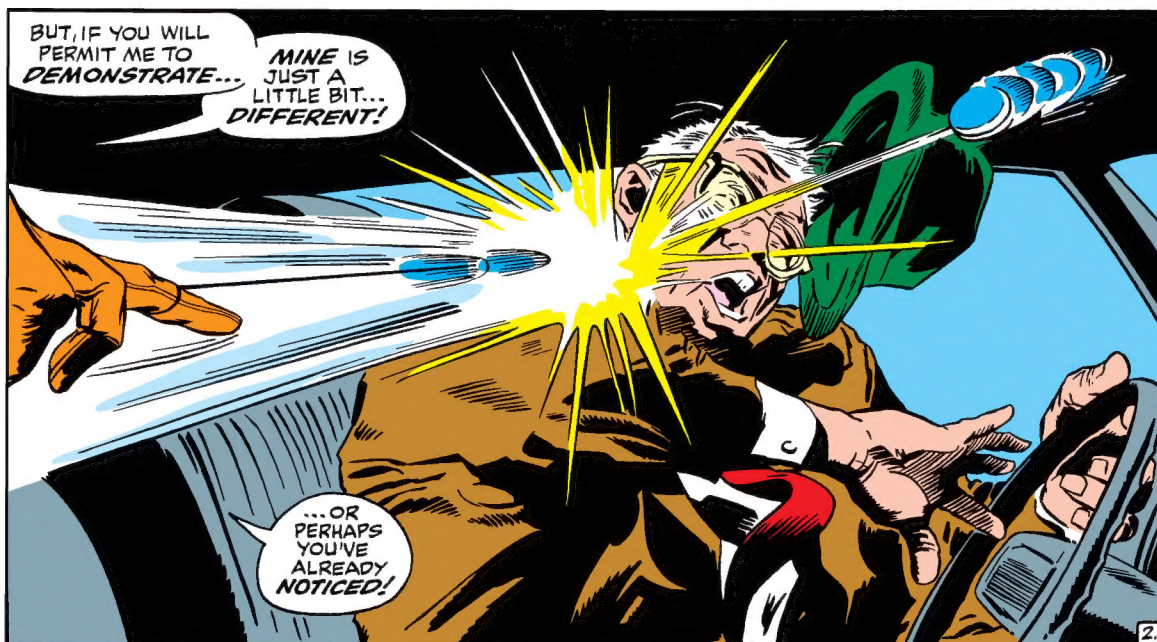


GOOD EVENING, SIR! CAN I INTEREST YOU IN A **YO-YO** FOR YOUR CHILDREN?

A **STREET HAWKER...** IN **COSTUME**, **YET!**

NOW I'VE SEEN **EVERYTHING!**

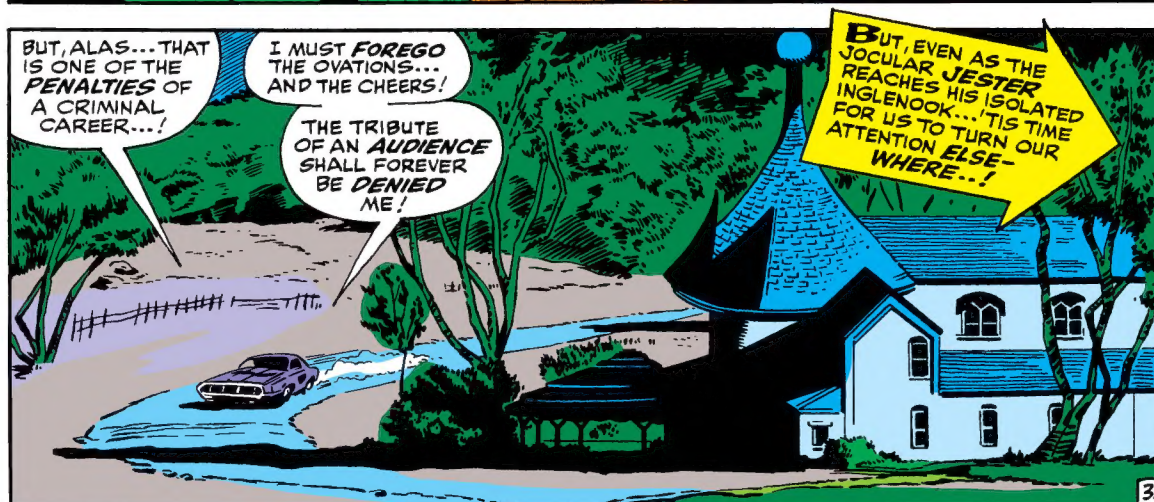
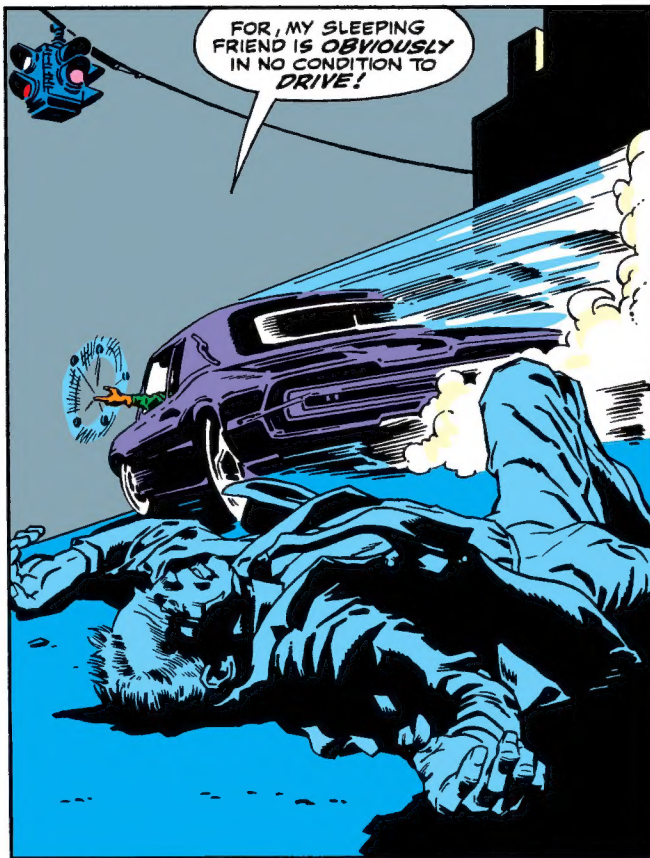
SORRY, PAL! MY KIDS ARE UP TO THEIR **SIDE-BURNS** IN **YO-YO'S!**



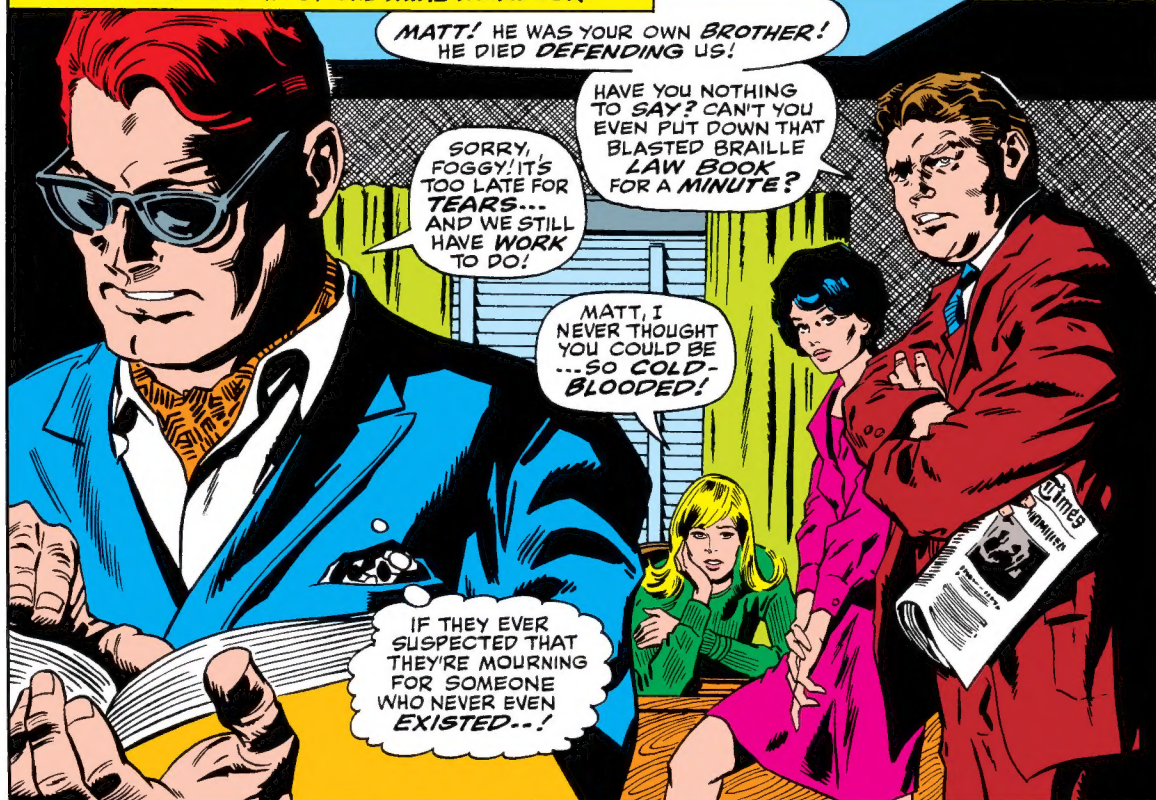
BUT, IF YOU WILL PERMIT ME TO **DEMONSTRATE...**

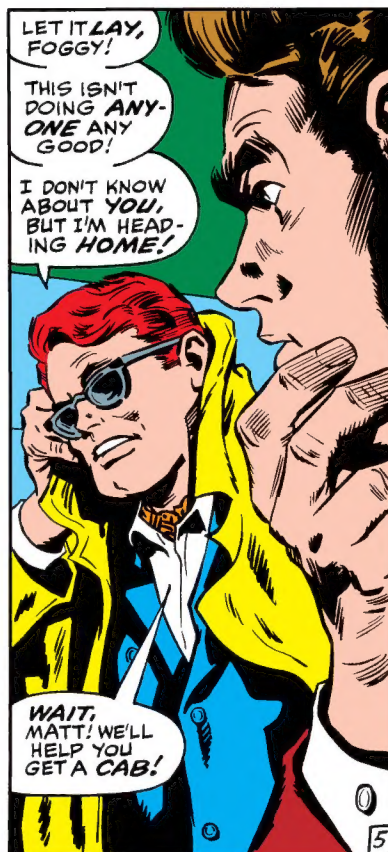
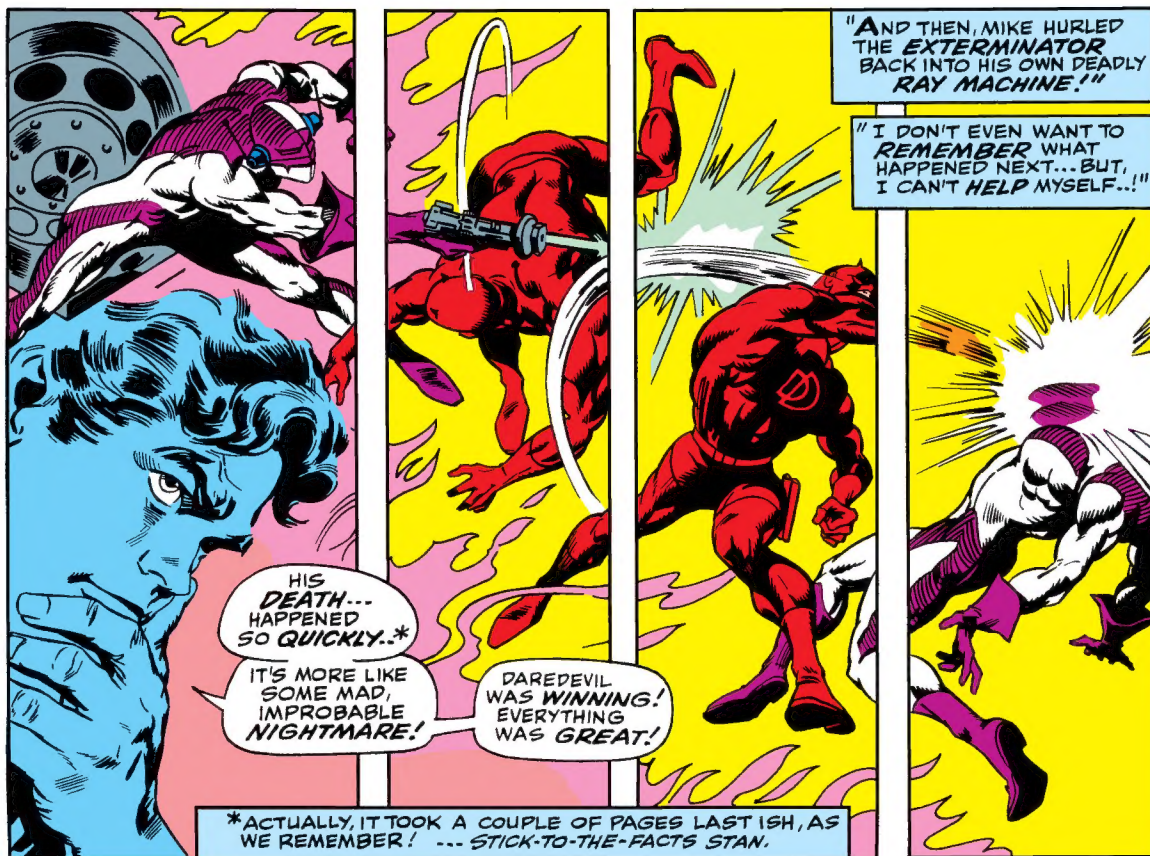
MINE IS JUST A LITTLE BIT... **DIFFERENT!**

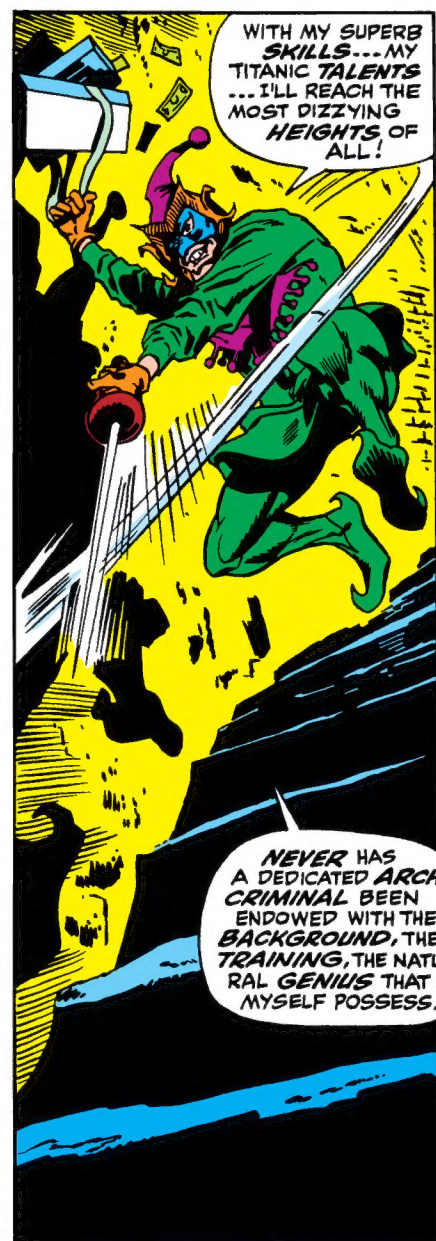
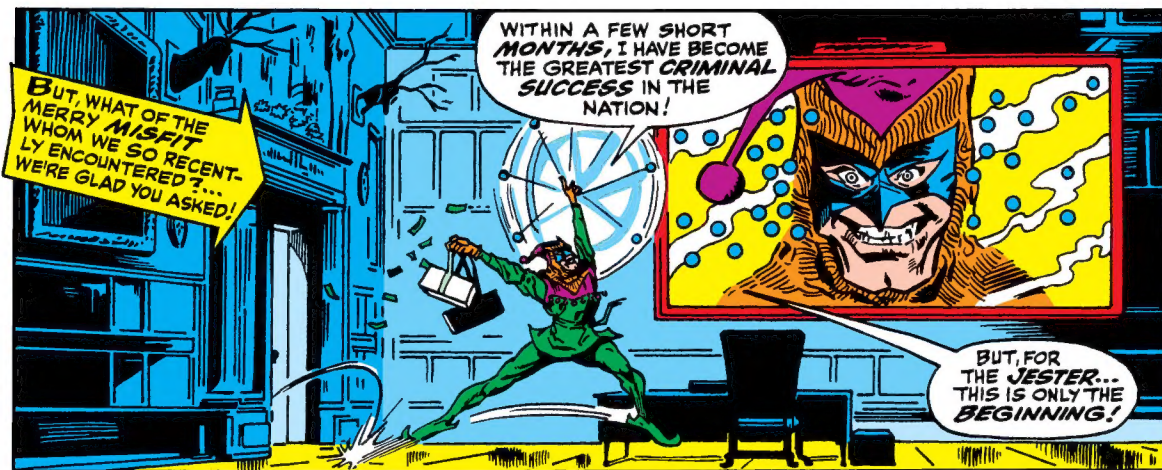
...OR PERHAPS YOU'VE **ALREADY NOTICED!**

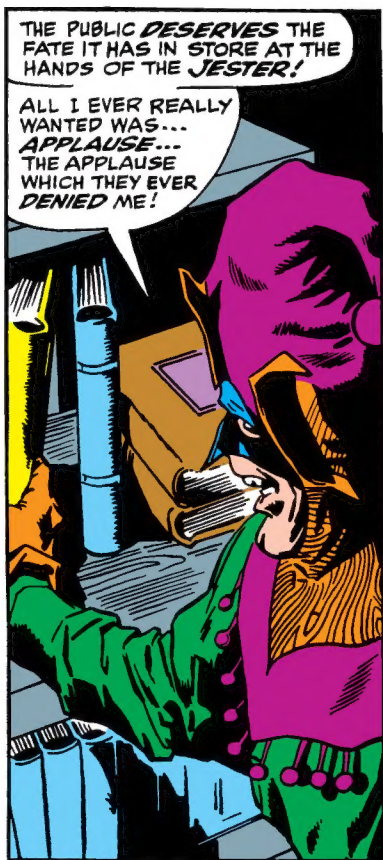


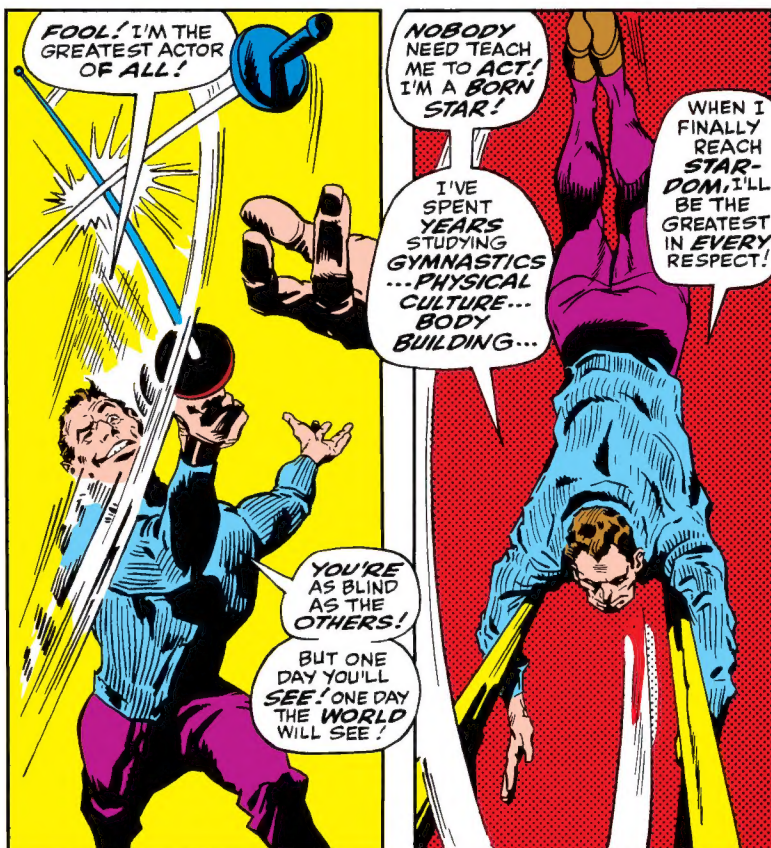
ATTENDEZ! THE LAW OFFICES OF NELSON AND MURDOCK, WHERE WE FIND OUR COLORFUL CREW MOURNING THE "DEATH" OF ONE MIKE MURDOCK...

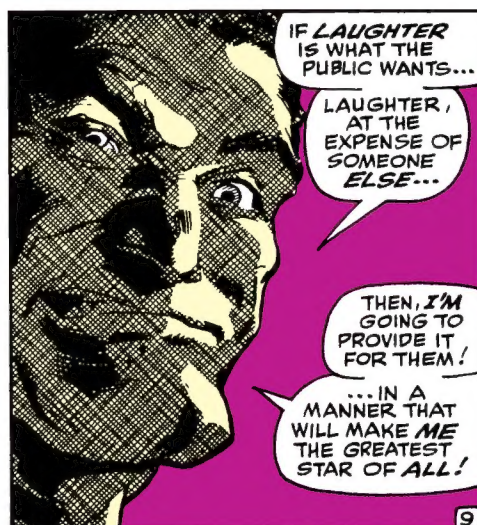
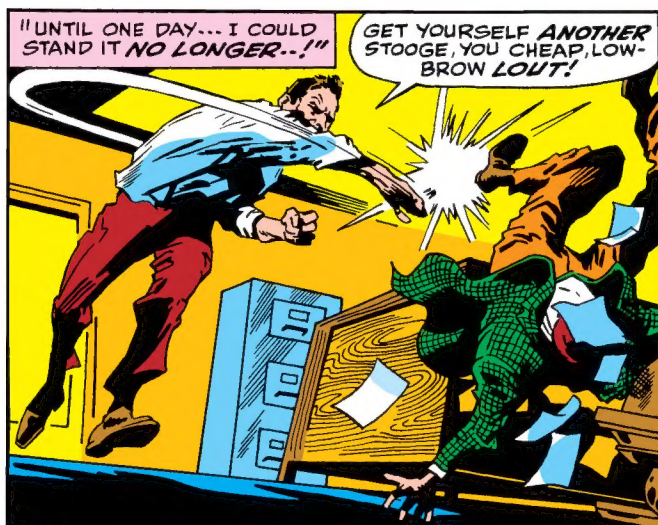
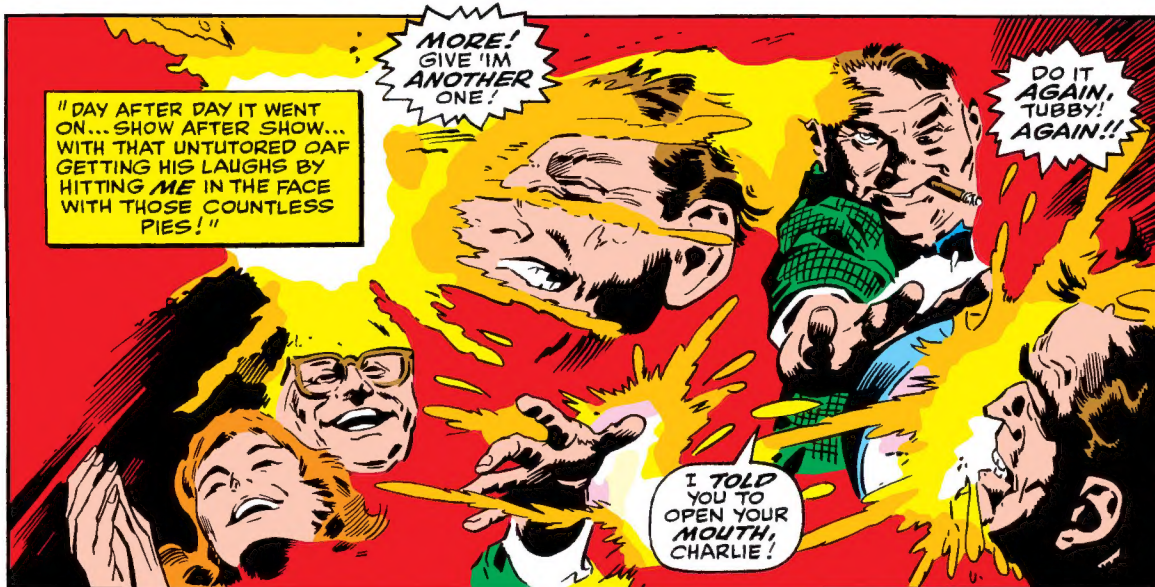
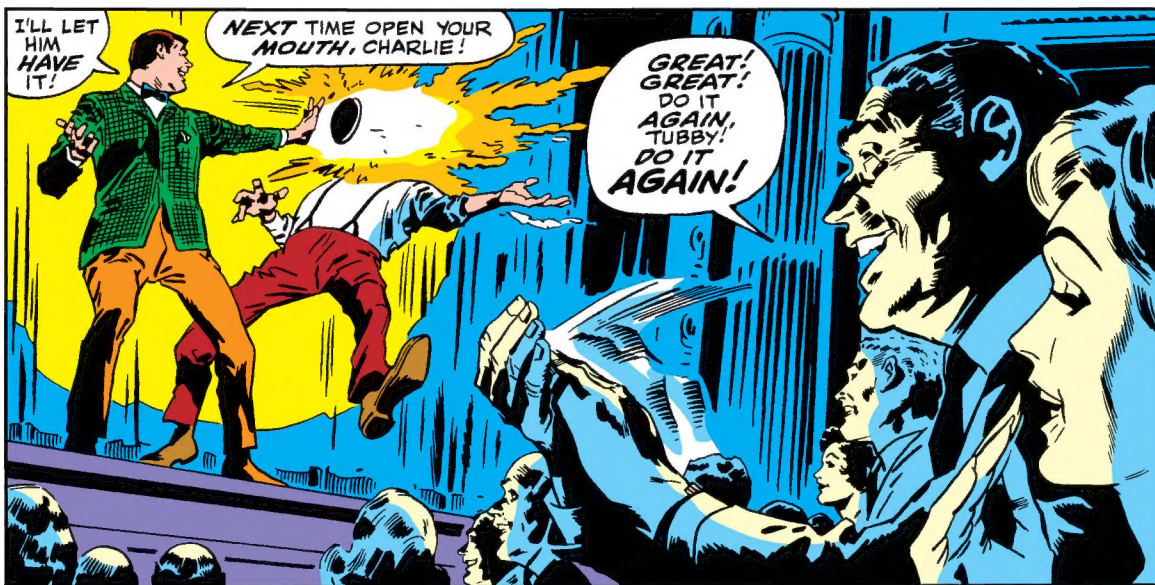




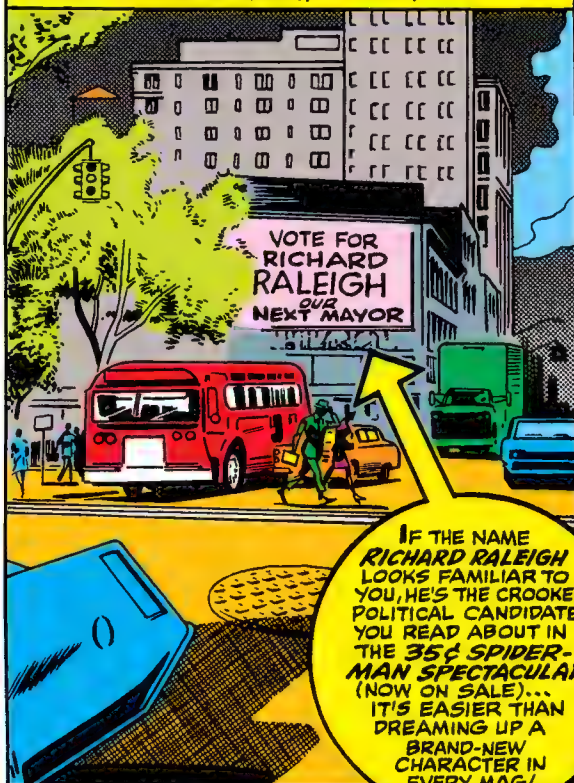






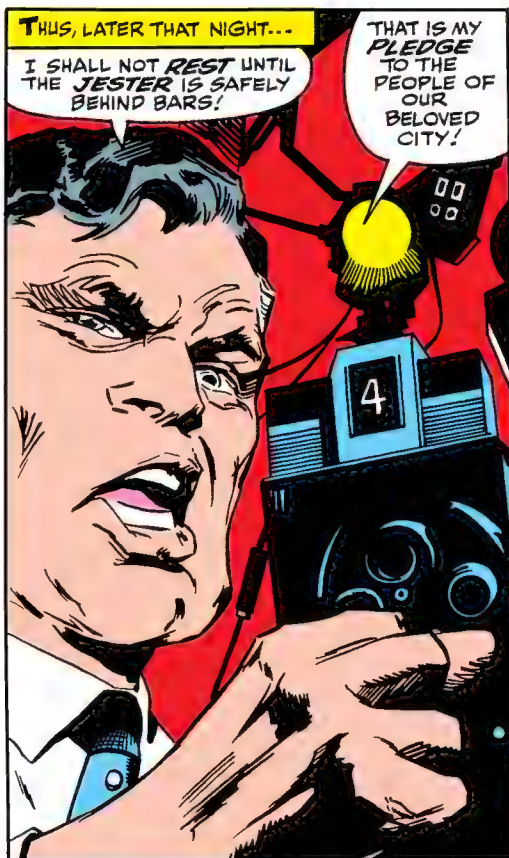


OKAY! NOW THAT THE **LATE-COMERS** HAVE BEEN CLUED-IN, WE'LL RETURN TO OUR STORY! (AS MUCH AS WE CAN REMEMBER, ANYWAY!)



WELL, SINCE WE TOOK THE TIME TO MENTION WHO HE IS, WE MIGHT AS WELL VISIT THE UNSCRUPULOUS MR. RALEIGH --!







I WANT TO
HIRE YOU...
NOT CAPTURE
YOU!

GET FRANKLIN NELSON
OUT OF THE RACE FOR D.A.
AND I'LL PAY YOU TEN
THOUSAND DOLLARS!



WELL,
WHAT DO
YOU SAY
TO THAT?



SOUNDS LIKE THE
EASIEST TEN
GRAND THAT'S
EVER BEEN
OFFERED!

THEN YOU'RE
IN?
THE JESTER
IS IN!



AND NOW, LET'S SEE IF
WE CAN RUSH BACK TO
FOGGY BEFORE THE
JESTER REACHES HIM...

DEBBIE, WHEN I'M
ELECTED D.A., THERE'S
A LITTLE QUESTION
I'M GONNA POP TO YOU!

YOU WOULDN'T
BE PUTTING
A LADY ON,
WOULD YOU?

OH, MATT...IT'S
WONDERFUL
TO BE OUT WITH
YOU THIS WAY...
WITH NO CARES,
NO PROBLEMS!

I'M BEGINNING
TO THINK I SHOULD
HAVE KILLED OFF
MY DAREDEVIL
IDENTITY LONG
AGO!



HOW ABOUT THAT? IT LOOKS AS IF WE JUST
MADE IT...!

THERE HE
IS NOW!

THIS WILL BE
EVEN EASIER
THAN I
EXPECTED!

THERE'S ONLY
NELSON, TWO
GIRLS, AND A
BLIND MAN TO
WORRY ABOUT!

AND, IF YOU'RE BEGINNING TO
THINK THAT THIS IS WHERE THINGS
START MOVING, GO TO THE HEAD
OF THE CLASS, HERO...



AFTER I'VE ACCOMPLISHED **THIS LITTLE FEAT...**

I'LL HOLD **RALEIGH** UP FOR TEN TIMES WHAT HE OFFERED ME!

THAT'LL TEACH HIM NOT TO BE SO TRUSTING!



HEADS UP, NELSON! IF YOU'RE OUT FOR A LITTLE **EXERCISE**, HOW ABOUT LETTING ME FURNISH IT?

THE JESTER!

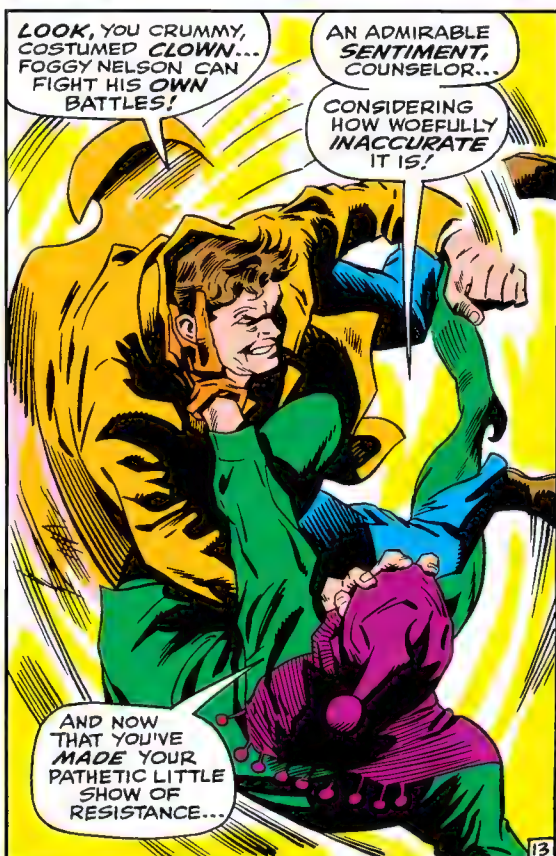
HE'S ATTACKING **FOGGY**...IN BROAD DAY-LIGHT!...BUT WHY?

THERE'S STILL TIME FOR ME TO...**NO!** I DARE NOT GIVE MYSELF AWAY NOW!



A PITY THAT THE VANQUISHED **DAREDEVIL** HAS GONE TO HIS LONG-OVERDUE **REWARD**, MY FRIEND!

NOW, THERE ARE **NONE**, ALAS, TO COME TO YOUR **AID!**

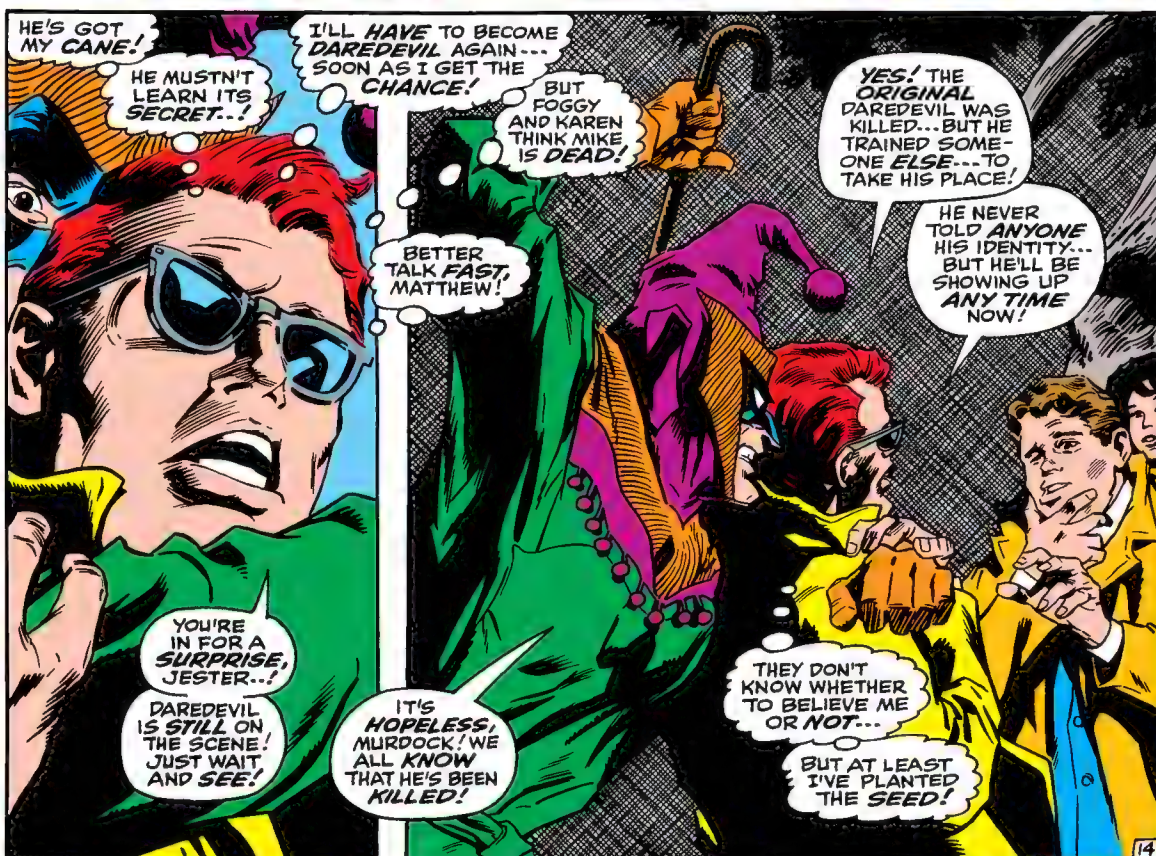


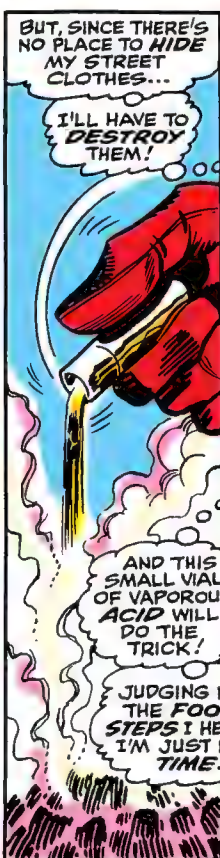
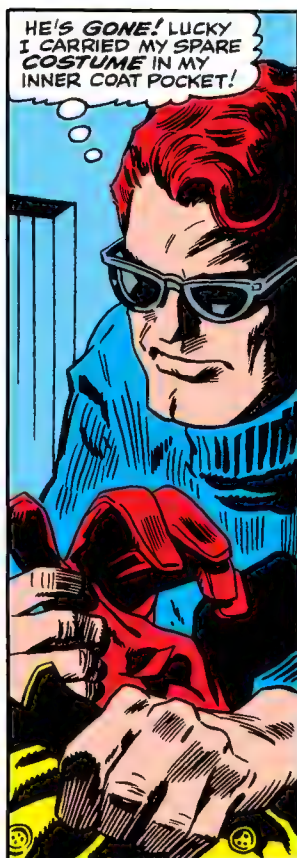
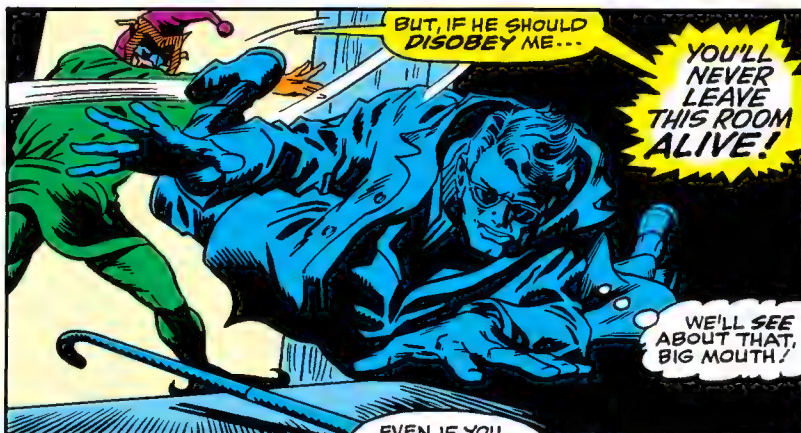
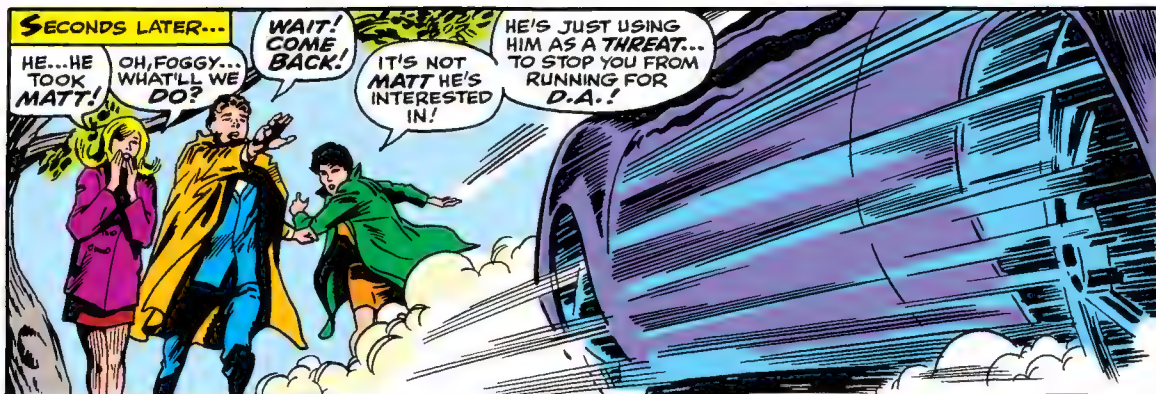
LOOK, YOU CRUMMY, COSTUMED **CLOWN**... **FOGGY NELSON** CAN FIGHT HIS OWN BATTLES!

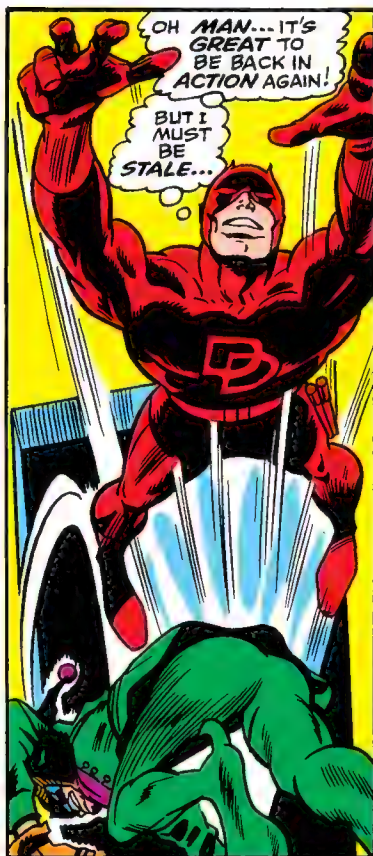
AN ADMIRABLE **SENTIMENT**, COUNSELOR...

CONSIDERING HOW **WOEFULLY INACCURATE** IT IS!

AND NOW THAT YOU'VE **MADE YOUR PATHETIC LITTLE SHOW OF RESISTANCE...**







OH MAN...IT'S GREAT TO BE BACK IN ACTION AGAIN!

BUT I MUST BE STALE...

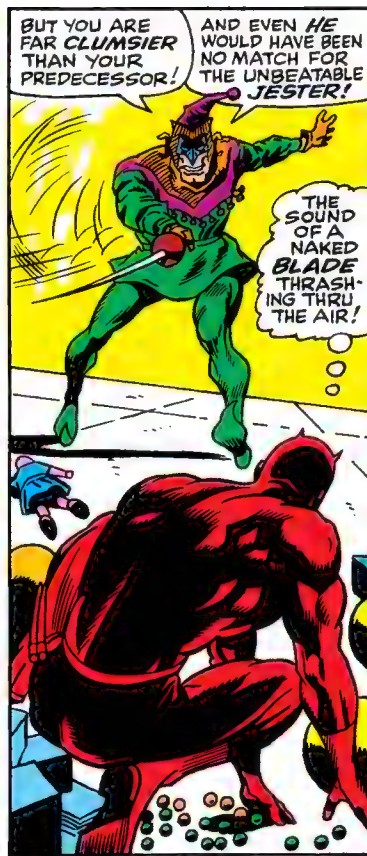


HE DUCKED UNDER ME AND SENT ME SPRAWLING INTO A PILE OF TOYS!

TOYS?!!

SO! MURDOCK WAS RIGHT!

THERE IS ANOTHER DAREDEVIL!



BUT YOU ARE FAR CLUMSIER THAN YOUR PREDECESSOR!

AND EVEN HE WOULD HAVE BEEN NO MATCH FOR THE UNBEATABLE JESTER!

THE SOUND OF A NAKED BLADE THRASHING THRU THE AIR!



CAREFUL, SONNY! I DIDN'T BRING ANY BAND-AIDS WITH ME!



YOU ARE MOST ELUSIVE, DAREDEVIL....

BUT YOU CANNOT DODGE MY THRUSTS MUCH LONGER!

I DON'T INTEND TO, CHARLIE!



SERVING AS SOME ODDBALL'S TARGET FOR TONIGHT ISN'T EXACTLY THE WAY I GET MY JOLLIES, PAL!

HE'S A REAL PRO! HE ROLLED WITH MY KICK LIKE A MASTER TUMBLER!

THE ORIGINAL DAREDEVIL MUST HAVE BEEN A GOOD TEACHER!

BUT NOT GOOD ENOUGH!



HE BACK-FLIPPED HIMSELF INTO ANOTHER FIGHTING STANCE WITHOUT A SINGLE WASTED MOTION!

FACE IT, MATTHEW... YOU'VE GOT A JOB CUT OUT FOR YOU!

IT'S A LUCKY THING HE LEFT ME MY BILLY-CLUB CANE... 'CAUSE I'M GONNA NEED IT!

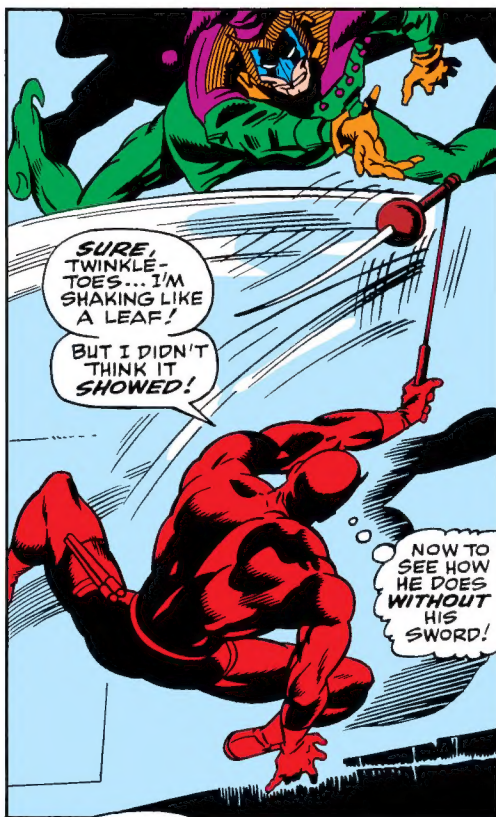
GETTING WORRIED, DAREDEVIL? JUST BETWEEN US, YOU SHOULD BE!

THAT SWORD YOU SNARED WAS MERELY A PROP!

I SIMPLY USED IT TO TOY WITH YOU... TO TEST YOUR METTLE!

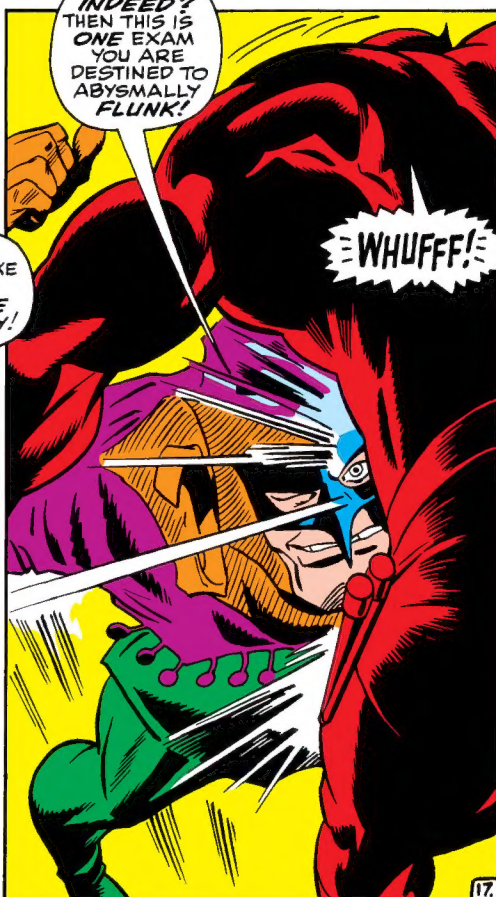
DON'T PAT YOURSELF ON THE BACK TOO HARD!

YOU MAKE IT SOUND LIKE A COLLEGE ENTRANCE EXAM, JESTY!



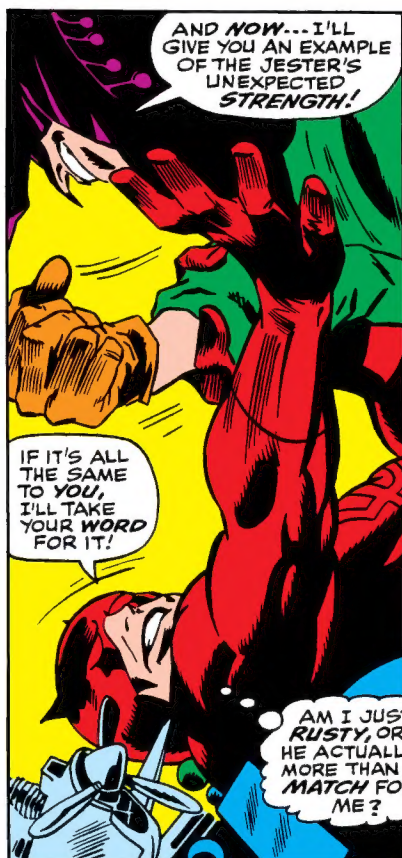
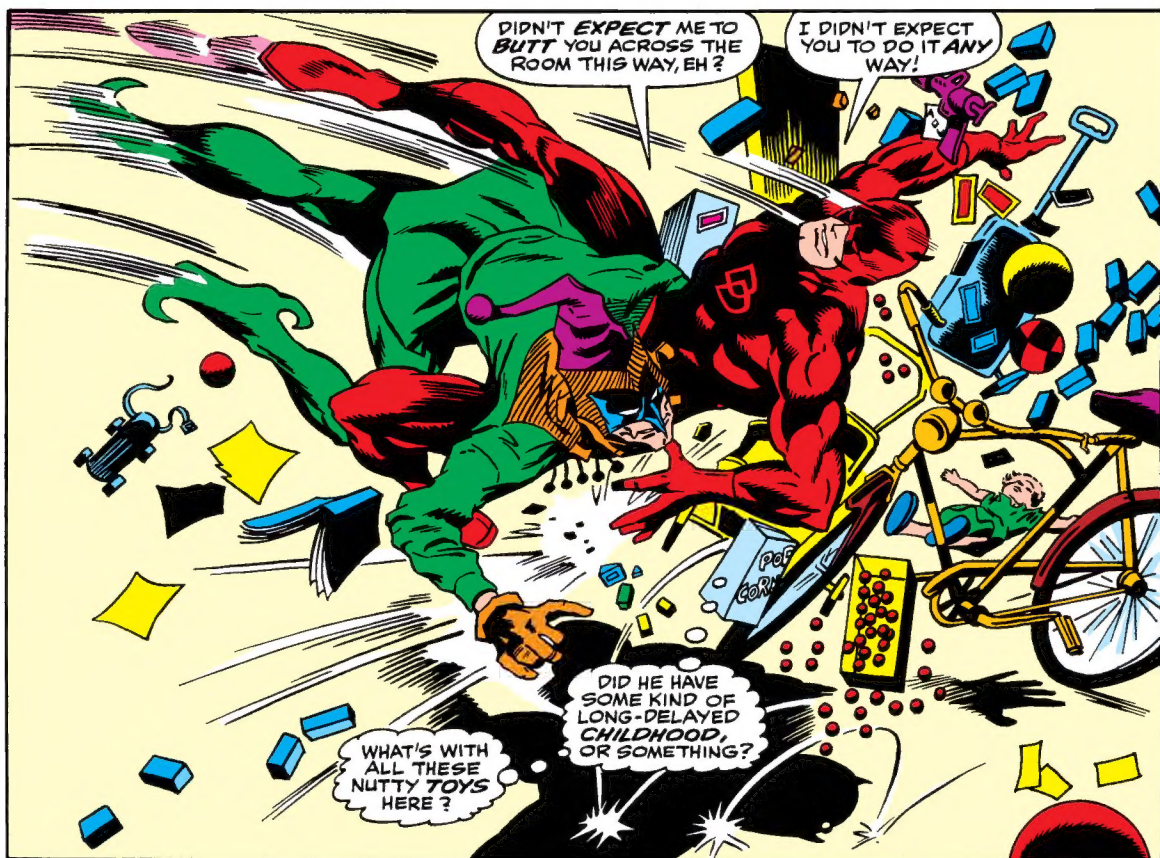
SURE, TWINKLE-TOES... I'M SHAKING LIKE A LEAF! BUT I DIDN'T THINK IT SHOWED!

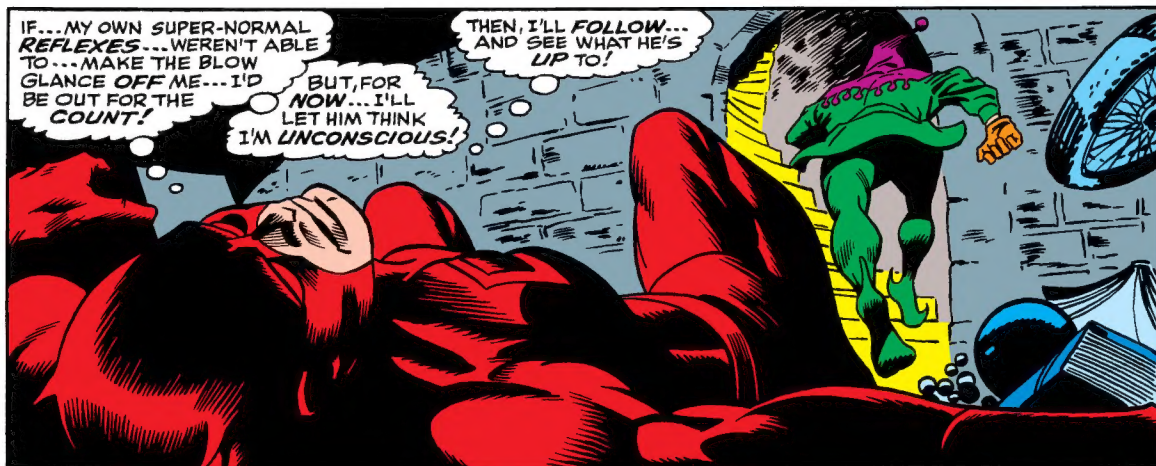
NOW TO SEE HOW HE DOES WITHOUT HIS SWORD!



INDEED? THEN THIS IS ONE EXAM YOU ARE DESTINED TO ABYSMALLY FLUNK!

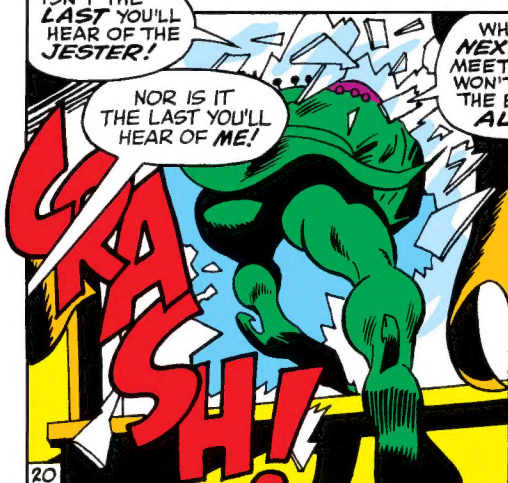
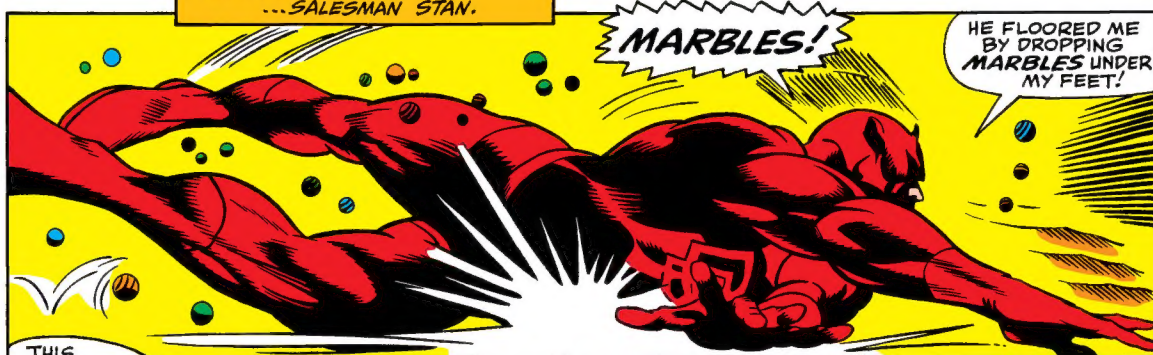
WHUFFF!







*HOW IT HAPPENED HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH OUR PRESENT YARN, PILGRIM... BUT, IF YOU JUST HAVE TO KNOW, IT'S ALL SPELLED OUT IN THE SPECTACULAR SPIDER-MAN #1, NOW ON SALE! ...SALESMAN STAN.



NEXT THE CHALLENGE OF... CAPTAIN AMERICA!